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MADRIZ STEPS OUT

NICARAGUAN PRESIDENT QUILTS OFFICE AND FLEES BEFORE ADVANCING REBELS.

ESTRADA IS NOW PRESIDENT

Insurgent Army Is Within Twelve Miles of Capital City--Many People Slain in Rioting--American Legation Strongly Guarded.

New Orleans, La.—Gen. Juan J. Estrada, the revolutionary leader of Nicaragua, is now president of that republic, having assumed office on Sunday.

The office was transferred to him by Jose Dolio—Estrada, a brother, who on Saturday was made provisional president by Dr. Jose D. Madriz, who abdicated following sweeping victories of the insurgents in the interior and at Granada.

Gen. Luis Mena, with his revolutionary army, is within twelve miles of Managua.

Rioting is in progress at Managua and many have been killed. There is practically no government. Those who could escape fled to Corinto.

Madriz and his family were permitted to leave for Corinto unmolested. They will sail from there for Panama and take the steamer for Europe or the United States.

News of the excesses perpetrated by the revolutionists at Granada, which was sacked and looted, have instilled the people of Managua with dread. Those who cannot get away are barricading themselves in their homes. Women and children were victims of half-starved marauders at Granada.

The United States legation and consulate are under heavy police guard at Managua and the general situation is reported to be very threatening.

Should there be any serious disturbances at Managua, the United States government will assume control there, for which purpose it has sent the Yorktown to Corinto to reinforce the Vicksburg.

MAKES FLIGHT TO LONDON

Daring American Aviator Travels From Paris and Captures the \$25,000 Prize.

London.—The youthful American aviator, Moissan, accompanied by his mechanic, Albert, Wednesday made a remarkable flight in a biplane from Paris to London across the English channel. It was the first time this feat was ever accomplished, although often tried.

Moissan accomplished his remarkable flight from Paris to Calais and across the channel in company with his mechanic, Albert.

By making his remarkable flight he captures the cup that a London paper offered and the proceeds of the subscription raised in England for Graham White, which the unsuccessful competitor in the London-Manchester flight offered as an award in the Paris-London competition.

Hubert Latham, who started from Issy, a suburb of Paris, to race Moissan to London, met with a series of accidents, the last at Amiens, culminating in the wrecking of his machine as he was preparing to resume the flight. Latham escaped unhurt, but was out of the race.

The last stage of Moissan's flight, the trip across the channel, was accomplished in a strong channel breeze, the wind being so high that experienced aviators looked upon the start as foolhardy. It was such a wind as repeatedly deterred Latham and other aviators from attempting the passage of the straits.

Paris, France.—M. Le Blanc, the aviator, arrived at Issy, in the suburbs of Paris, at 6:45 a. m. Wednesday and is the winner of the cross-country flight which started August 7. The distance of the race was approximately 485 miles. The prize is \$25,000, offered by a Paris newspaper.

Le Blanc, the winner, covered the circuit in 11:55:59. He used a Bleriot monoplane.

CALIFORNIA IS INSURGENT

Viram W. Johnson, Exponent of Anti-Machine Doctrines, Wins gubernatorial Nomination in Primary.

San Francisco, California.—California is insurgent in its Republican politics. Viram W. Johnson, leading exponent of anti-machine doctrines, has swept the field in Tuesday's primaries, winning his party's nomination for governor by a plurality that will border on 50,000 when all returns are in.

Just how great was the extent of the disaster to the stalwarts cannot be known until outlying districts have been heard from, but every indication points to a clean-cut declaration by the party for insurgency and against the political activities of the Southern Pacific railway.

It is asserted that the progressives have carried to victory two new insurgent nominees for congressmen, William Kent in the Second district and W. D. Stephens in the Seventh.

Plot to Destroy Steamship

New York.—The discovery a few hours before the time set for the sailing of the Russian liner Lituanian Saturday of a can of giant powder in the coal that was being loaded into the ship's bunkers is believed to have forestalled a scheme for the destruction of the vessel at sea. The Lituanian carries more than 100 passengers and a large cargo. The can containing one and one-half pounds of gunpowder had been almost scooped up by the great shovel when a workman saw it.

REPORT 105 DEAD IN FIRE

MANY HEROIC FIGHTERS CUT OFF BY THE FLAMES.

Forest Flames in Montana and Washington Are Spreading—Wallace Is Nearly Wiped Out.

Spokane, Wash.—One hundred fire fighters are reported dead in the flooded canyon near Wallace, Idaho, and five citizens were burned to death in their homes as a result of forest fires which for sixty days have terrified the Coeur d'Alene country and which spread to the town of Wallace, the metropolis of the mining district. More than a third of Wallace is burned. The Pacific, Michigan and Coeur d'Alene hotels, two O. R. & N. depots, a big hardware warehouse and 150 to 200 residences are destroyed. The town is almost dark by day and the heavens and surrounding country a seething mass of night.

Ashes fill the air and the heat is tremendous. Telegraphic communication is cut off for a time, but the fighters believe they have the fire in the city under control.

Newport, Wash.—A town of 2,000, is burning, but the loss of life is as yet unknown. Cries for help are being answered as rapidly as relief parties can be made up. All available soldiers in this part of the country are pressed into service.

WILL NOT SUPPORT CANNON

Congressman Longworth, After Conference with Taft and Others, Makes Significant Statement.

Beverly, Mass.—The fight of the Republican party reorganization against Speaker Cannon was opened by Congressman Nicholas Longworth of Ohio, son-in-law of ex-President Roosevelt.

In a statement which he issued Thursday Mr. Longworth declares that having voted for him in caucus on four different occasions he has supported Cannon for the speakership for the last time and that when the proper time comes, namely the meeting of the Republican caucus at the assembling of the next congress he will oppose Uncle Joe to that position. Mr. Longworth makes it clear that in his view harmony in the Republican ranks and party success depends upon Cannon's elimination.

"I am absolutely convinced," he says, "that Cannon cannot be again elected speaker." The importance of the Longworth statement lies not only in the fact that the Ohio congressman, a long time friend and supporter of Cannon issued it, but that it was not given to the public until after a series of confessions.

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I. C. STORM BREAKS

THREE FORMER OFFICIALS OF ROAD ARE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY.

Charges of Conspiracy to Defraud and of Confidence Game Placed Against Harriman, Ewing and Taylor in Car Repair Frauds.

Chicago.—The Illinois Central railway graft scandal storm broke Friday with tempestuous fury when three former high officials of that road were arrested on charges of conspiracy to cheat and defraud the road by false pretenses. More arrests are to follow and the names of others said to be implicated will probably be revealed at the trial of the men already under arrest.

Those arrested are: Frank B. Harriman, former general manager of the Illinois Central system. Charles L. Ewing, former general superintendent of the Illinois Central lines north of the Ohio river.

John M. Taylor, former storekeeper for the Illinois Central.

The men were taken before Municipal Judge Bruggemeyer, who released them on \$20,000 bonds each. The history of the car repair frauds, the alleged fraudulent transactions between the officials and railroad employees, and the like also will be told on the witness stand.

Harriman, as general manager of the entire system, was the next man to Ira G. Rawn, the vice-president who resigned to become president of the Monon road, and who was killed with his own revolver in his Winnetka home. Harriman resigned his position in March, the public announcement being made March 15.

C. L. Ewing resigned as general superintendent of the northern lines at Chicago soon after the first exposures were made in connection with the discovery of wholesale frauds.

Taylor resigned as general storekeeper May 1, at the time when President Harahan's office was being flooded with resignations from officers of high and low rank.

PEST IN ITALY SPREADING

Twenty Thousand People Flee From Cholera-Stricken Town—Disease of Virulent Type.

Rome.—The cholera epidemic is rapidly spreading in southern Italy, but rumors that it had also reached this city are without foundation. Not a single case has been reported here and the health officials are on the qui vive for any appearance of the malady.

According to the reports Friday the disease is of a most virulent type and accompanied by a high death rate. Thirty deaths are reported at Trani. The town is being rapidly depopulated because of the panic among the inhabitants.

The authorities are greatly concerned over the possibility of a still wider spread of the epidemic as a result of this flight of people from the disease centers.

Mite Born to a Farmer. Dugout.—A baby girl, weighing one and one-half pounds and less than twelve inches in length, has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wallace, who live on a farm east of town. The infant is so small that a match will hide one of her fingers, while her head is about the size of a hen's egg.

Matt McGrath Smashes Mark. Hartford, Conn.—At the Hibernian Athletic club games Saturday, Matt McGrath of the L. A. C. New York broke the world's record for throwing the 55-pound weight for height, with a throw of 16 feet 2 3/4 inches.

General Hayes Is Paralyzed. Wilmington, Del.—Brig. Gen. Hayes, U. S. N., retired, who was with Lawton when he fell in the Philippines, and who was famous as an Indian fighter, was paralyzed here Saturday. His condition is critical.

Pope Honors an American. Rome.—The pope Saturday appointed John J. McGrane of New York a knight commander of the Order of St. Gregory. This gives him special privileges, such as occupying a distinguished post at papal functions and ceremonies.

Town on Fire Is Saved. Alanson, Mich.—With the assistance of equipment and firemen from nearby towns, the village of Alanson was saved from destruction by fire Saturday. The loss is \$80,000.

CORPORATION TAXES

THEY BECOME DELINQUENT THE FIRST OF SEPTEMBER.

A PENALTY FOR NON-PAYERS

Situation of the Rock Island Such as May Prove Serious to That Road. Other Capital Matters.

Though a penalty is levied September 1 against every corporation, doing business in Nebraska which has not paid its occupation tax, only 1,200 out of 3,000 have so far met the requirements of the law. After September 1 every corporation which fails to pay the tax will be assessed a penalty of \$10. November 30, if the tax has not been paid, the corporation becomes defunct and if it does business in Nebraska legally it will be required to refile its articles of incorporation.

The law was enacted by the late legislature and approximately 4,000 corporations failed to pay the tax and thereby forfeited their charters. Among the large corporations which the governor, through a proclamation, declared without legal authority to do business in the state was the Rock Island railroad. This company overlooked or failed to pay its tax and several months after it had become defunct an agent of the company came to the state house to look up the case. He was informed that the only way, so far thought out, for the railroad to get right, was to refile its articles of incorporation. This would cost in the neighborhood of \$35,000. So far nothing has been done, but it is possible the governor will order the attorney general to proceed against the company.

Telephone Company's Answer. In answer to questions asked by Attorney General Thompson, the Nebraska Telephone company filed in the supreme court a mass of statistics and statements regarding the operation of the company in this state. These questions are a result of the suit filed by the attorney general at the request of parties interested in the Lincoln Telephone company from buying a controlling interest in independent companies.

One of the questions submitted was whether the Nebraska Telephone company would agree to connect with the Lincoln company. In answer, Attorney General Thompson said the Nebraska company would connect with the Lincoln company or any other company that would bring it business, but it doubted that the Lincoln company would consent to connect, inasmuch as it had signed a contract not to connect with the Nebraska company for twenty-five years.

The statement filed by the Nebraska company covers the intention and first use of the telephone and its development down to the present time.

Weeds and Insects. A bulletin on common weeds and insects of corn fields and potato patches has been issued jointly by State Superintendent Bishop and Val Keyser of the state university department of farmers' institutes. It is designed for the benefit and encouragement of the Nebraska boys' and girls' club.

State Taxes. The total amount of state taxes charged against the counties is \$134,579.25 less than last year. The increase in the valuation of all property in fees received by the state has resulted in a reduction of one-half mill in the levy.

Dead Man's Identity. Major E. H. Phelps, state commander of the United Spanish War Veterans, was informed that the unknown circus employee who died in Beatrice of sunstroke was Frank P. Fitzpatrick, a member of James W. Milne camp No. 14, United Spanish War Veterans, Rockville, Conn. Adjutant John J. O'Neill of the Connecticut camp wrote Commander Phelps, asking that the body be given a soldiers' burial and that the camp would pay.

Farmers' National Congress. The farmers' national congress which opens its thirtieth convention in Lincoln, October 6, with a prospective attendance of about 2,000 delegates, played an important part in bringing about an unusual situation wherein legislation antedated its practical application. Within the last few years, although the date may seem like ancient history there was a country wide agitation in favor of removing the government tax on denatured alcohol. The farmers' national congress had a hand in fostering this agitation, the result of which was the eventual removal of the tax.

Beautifying Right of Way. All of the railroads entering Lincoln have now signed their approval of the plan proposed by the city park board last spring to clean up and beautify the rights of way running through town.

State Fair Tickets. At a meeting of the board of managers of the state fair, it was decided to sell reserve tickets for the grand stand on the race course. The sale of tickets to the grand stand will cease when the full seating capacity has been sold.

VIOLATES THE LAW.

Union Pacific Turns Down Its Own Mileage.

Attorney General Thompson has complained to the railway commissioner that a Union Pacific railroad conductor refused to accept mileage from a book bought by the attorney general more than one year ago. The railway commissioner will go after the railroad company for violating the Knowles law, which provides that railroads shall issue 1,000 miles of transportation for \$20, the mileage books to be good in any person's hands for two years from date of sale. The Union Pacific and other roads after sale, placed such books on sale, but seek to override the law by limiting their use for one year.

It is said the railroads have strictly enforced the one year limit and accept the unused mileage at the end of one year as payment upon a new \$20 book.

Assistant Attorney General George Ayers was on official business when he presented a one-year book to a Union Pacific conductor. The mileage was refused and Mr. Ayers paid his fare in cash. The penalty for a violation of the Knowles law is a fine of from \$100 to \$500.

Drills at the State Fair.

Following are the rules governing the competitive drill of fraternal societies at the Nebraska State Fair this year:

All teams wishing to enter the above contest may do so by notifying H. J. Gilderslove, 306 Fraternity building, Lincoln, on or before September 5. No entrance fee will be charged; tickets of admission to the grounds will be furnished captains only for the actual number taking part in drill. The entry list must give the names of the captains, and the number of persons constituting their teams. The selection of judges who are to act without compensation will be made by the board of managers of the State Board of Agriculture from recommendation made from the head offices of the society represented.

The judges when appointed will meet and agree on the rules for scoring the contest, subject to the handling adopted by the Board of Agriculture, and the decision of these judges shall be final. The captains shall draw for their turn to appear for drill by lot; the drill will take place on the race track on Tuesday morning, September 6, beginning at 10 a. m.

The handicaps are as follows: "Teams having won first prize at any state fair meeting since 1902 will be handicapped seven points; teams composed entirely of men, five points; of ladies and gentlemen, two and one-half points; entirely of ladies, no handicap."

Committees Are Working.

Nothing has been heard of the work of the committees some time ago appointed at the Nebraska conservation in the state. It is said, however, that all the committees are at work, and that perhaps little will be heard of what they are doing until the next meeting of the legislature when some of the reports of the committees will be brought to the attention of the legislature.

Governor Accepts Invitation.

Governor Shallenberger has been asked to be the guest of the committee in charge on the occasion of the visit of Colonel Roosevelt to Omaha on September 2 next. He has written to Victor Rosewater, chairman of the committee, saying he will accept.

Nebraska National Guard.

W. B. Throop, general superintendent of the Burlington, has written Adjutant General Hartigan that railroad employees belonging to the Nebraska National guard will be permitted to go to Fort Riley, except where such vacations would cripple the service. Complaint was made that two guardsmen employed in the Wymore offices were unable to get leave of absence. Mr. Throop replied that the office was now short-handed and that the loss of either man would be serious.

Deuel County First.

Deuel county was the first county to report its election returns to the secretary of state. The official returns were as published previously.

Spanish War Veterans.

Spanish war veterans of the state are making preparations to attend the seventh national encampment at Denver, August 29, 30 and 31. Colonel Roosevelt will attend the Denver meeting, and it is said he is to be elected national commander.

Dogs Are Increasing.

Dogs have kept pace with the growing prosperity of the state and not only has this class of property increased in number, but also in value. Last year all the dogs could have been bought for \$59,550 if the value placed upon them by the assessors had been paid, while this year the assessed value of the dogs of the state is \$60,110. The average assessed value last year was \$1.06, and this same figure is used in the computation this year. There were assessed last year a total of 111,530.

Negro Turning White.

Chester, Pa.—Fred Hopkins, a negro, is gradually turning white. Until a couple of years ago there was not a white spot on him, but gradually his skin began to bleach and his hands and arms are now as white as those of the Caucasian race, and the skin on his face and neck is covered with large white spots. A few years ago Hopkins married a young white woman, and they live happily together.

Preached in Dark Church.

Newcastle, Pa.—Rev. R. N. Merrill of the Methodist Episcopal church at Mahonington advertised that he would preach in the dark. The lights were extinguished because of the heat. The church was crowded when the minister entered the pulpit and more than three-quarters of the congregation were young folk.

LIGHTNING PLAYS SOME ODD PRANKS

PERFORMS MANY QUEER STUNTS IN A NEW JERSEY HOME.

NEVER TOUCHED OCCUPANTS

Furniture and Decorations Are Torn or Melted, But No One Is Hurt, Though the Bolt Had to Dodge Them.

Lightning has been known to play queer freaks, but a streak of the Jersey brand which struck the home of John Ackerman in Rochelle Park, N. J., a few days ago, seems to have done more queer things in a moment than had been done since Ajax defied the fluid. From removing the four castors of a table to snipping off the steel stub of a pen with which a young woman was writing in an adjoining house, the zig-zagging bolt managed to disrupt or injure most everything in its path.

The bolt melted the telephone wire and hurled the molten metal against a window with such force as to make mosaics of several panes, the spluttering hot metal so deeply engraving itself in the glass that there has been no getting it out.

One side of the hall was ripped out and from there the lightning flashed into the parlor, where a broken lamp and scattered and broken brick-iron 'old of its passage through that apartment.

Then it journeyed to the dining-room, where Mr. Ackerman was sitting. The walls, blackened, seared and bulged out on three sides, show that the bolt struck the room in three places, and Ackerman is still marveling how it was that the lightning flashed all around without ever touching him.

In the kitchen was an old-fashioned clock, quite heavy and fully two feet in height. The lightning removed this from the kitchen and deposited the wreck in the dining-room. The west side of the kitchen wall was blown out. The kitchen floor was blown upward. The kitchen table was splintered into bits and the range was shattered into many pieces. A young woman next door was writing a letter and her pen-point disappeared as the bolt shook the place.

Yet, strange to say, although there were four persons in the house at the time not one of the occupants suffered any injury from the freakish bolt, other than the shocked surprise that would be expected on such an exciting occasion.

William H. Jacobs and his son, Charles H. Jacobs, of Aberdeen, Md., had a most remarkable escape from death during a terrific thunderstorm. A bolt of lightning struck their barn in which both were occupied at the time in unharassing a horse. The lightning came through an end of the building like a flash, and struck the animal, killing it immediately, but both men were only momentarily shocked. They recovered within a minute or so and returned to the house. There was a large quantity of hay in the barn, but, strange to say, nothing caught on fire. The only evidence of the visitation of the electrical bolt is the dead horse and a hole 'a one end of the barn.



The Bolt Crashed Down on Them.